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# **GREED AND GRAFT WIN WHEN** 1,200 DIE AS S. S. EASTLAND

Corruption and Inefficiency in U. S. Inspection the "ORGANIZE FOR 1916!" Service Joined to Insatiable Hunger for Profits fund of the national Socialist of Transportation Company Cause Appailing Disaster to Picnic Crowd In Heart of Busy City.

24, as it was about to start for St. Joseph with a picnic crowd. Nearly 2,800 persons were aboard, and some 1,200 to 1,500 lost their lives. The following vivid description is by one who arrived shortly after

Capitalism's hunger for profits, regardless of human lives. The horror of the Eastland surpasses that of the Slocum, the Titanic, the Iroquois Theater. Gross neglect and corruption on the part of the United States Inspection service is charged by Victor Olander, Secretary of the Illinois Federation of Labor, and for many years Secretary of the Lake Seamen's Union. Investigations are under way by city, county, state and federal officials.

to read and remember. You of the Chicago data, papers starty of the disaster anywhere near so vivid as that which follows. It was too big for them. The American Socialist believes that it's account of the horror will live as a piece of literature, as well as the

The mere recital of the circumstances should make Socialists of all who read it. Pass your copy on to some one else—some non-Socialist—that he may see things as they are.

### By IRWIN TUCKER

and men

Struggled and choked, suffocating and strangling in the black

A solid writhing mass of fighting, drowning humanity, wiped out of existence into cold, sodden death, all in an instant;-

ready to depart.

Treasured chains and lockets and strings of beads, brought forth for this occasion, glittered in the light;

Spending-money in their purses, carefully hoarded up during weeks and months of unremitting toil, was to unlock the gates

Friend called to friend from boat to dock and back again,

and more into the oily black mud at the bottom of the river, at the mouth of the sewer.

The boat was top-heavy and lacked beam and depth; it had been built cheaply to save money;

The wives of the directors of the shipbuilding company

pany simply must have a new model automobile;

cursion boat, the more money it makes-let them take a chance on drowning; we risked our money, let them risk their lives—it's all they've got.

The gay white dresses, fluttering I saw the giant form of the deputy ribbons, jewelry, and plumes and Chief of Police, his eyes swollen and full of mud, or were ripped clear in the jostling mob: off the bruised, swollen and blackening bodies;

starting out into womanhood mothers gray with the weight of staggering, helpless; years and care-

Young men, stalwart and handsome; boys, important with their vacation; elder men, fathers of families, going along to

take care of the folks;—
They were hauled out of the steel of clammy death that had so shortly before been a joyous crowd of pic nickers-

The Western Electric Company, so many said, had warned all its employes that they must attend this picnic or lose two

weeks' pay. They wanted this picnic to be

the biggest ever seen in Chica-go, for they needed the adver-tisement.

And the boat made big money with the sale of tickets, and the stockholders of the transportation company needed the money; they have to take opera seats next winter, and simply must have opera cloaks and iewels:

And the transportation company cannot be sued for more than the value of the hull; So that by building a cheap boat and crowding on thousands

of passengers, they get almost enough to maintain their position in society.

III.

I saw the excursion agent, the man who was responsible for chartering the boat for this crowd: he wept like a baby.
Unable to speak, to tell his wife

how it had happened, he sobbed with eyes staring at the horror of what I saw the captain and mate of the

boat, heavily guarded by police to keep the crowd from lynching them, because, driven mad by the suddenness of it, they forbade rescuers to chop holes in the boat. (Oh, yes, undoubtedly THEY will bear the blame; you cannot expect those who money off it to be dragged

rough the vulgar law courts); saw the policemen who kept the crowd, themselves men to danger and death, g down under kuman symBLAZING THE TRAIL FOR VICTORY IN 1916!

### By J. L. ENGDAHL

The Finnish Socialist Publishing Company of Fitchburg, Mass., has contributed \$100 to Party. By this act the Finnish Socialists have again set the pace and furnished the inspiration for all other Socialists. They have come to the front in this big effort for 1916, taking the place they have always held in most party activities.

In America as well as in Europe the Finnish Socialists are zation that should be the pride ous "1914 Campaign Book" is take considerable pride in redifficult road toward the social ican working class.

tion; all their failures have been greater victories. The record of the Socialists

THE SAFETY FUND NATIONAL BANK

FINNISH SOCIALISTS SEND THIS \$100 CHECK FOR "ORGANIZE FOR 1916" FUND

itical and industrial emancipa- Michigan two years ago.

but the beginnings of ever established four successful Canada. working class daily newspapers In a greater sense, these the Socialist Party in Chicago. - something the English speak- strategic points are to the mil-

the sturdy trail blazers on the and boast of the entire Amer- sued by the national Socialist producing on this page. This Party.

\$100 will be a powerful weapon revolution. Opposition has brilliant labor struggles this nather the heart of the Finnish Social for the epoch making 1916 nastreng thened them, persecution has ever seen when they relist movement in the East. Similarly tional political struggle now ration has made them more de- sisted the onslaught of the pow- ilar centers are found in the pidly approaching. Yet it must termined to win complete pol- erful copper barons of upper middle west at Superior, Wisc., be only the rock that will looson the Pacific Coast at Astoria, en the avalanche of funds that The Finnish Socialists have Oregon, and at Port Arthur, must sweep toward the common goal — the national office of

Emil Seidel, member of the in Finland is a long list of ing Socialists have not yet been itant Finnish Socialist move- National Executive Committee, successfully against the Czar of and the expenditure of huge small or large local or branch 1916" on Page 3 of this issue. from the families of the working all the Russia's under the bigsums of money. The Finnish is to the national Socialist
There you will also find the class, escaping for a day from their gest handicaps any people ever Socialist Publishing Company, movement. Therefore, when the names of the week's contributknew. The Finnish Socialists of Fitchburg, Mass., publishes National Executive Committee ors to the "Organize For 1916!" did not cease to achieve when they emigrated to America. Although scattered through also does a big book publishing though scattered through although scattered through scattered throu day of pleasure, while the Eastland began to throb beneath them, states of the union and through ments was the translation and of them. the Finnish Socialists the complete emancipation of them.

# TO THE WOMEN AND MEN

OF NEW YORK, NEW JERSEY, PENNSYLVANIA AND MASSACHUSETTS

vital. It involves the political emancipation of one-half of the population.

The Socialist Party from the beginning has stood for complete adult suffrage. We men have the ballot, so the fight narrows down somewhat

It is a big issue, and one worthy the effort of any man.

No man can claim to represent politically the interests of the millions of women in industry. They are in the sweat-shops, the mills, the factories, the offices, on the farms, and only the women can know what is best to enable them to escape the peculiar problems they face.

THEY SHOULD HAVE THE BALLOT FOR THEIR OWN PROTEC-

ballot. They need the ballot. And yet they have no way of getting the ballot except by the votes of men! You men must vote the ballot to women this fall. Do not fail in your duty.

so long as Gold is God, human has won. At least she is entitled to an equal opportunity with men. Wolives are the sacrifice—

| Mas won. At least she is entitled to an equal opportunity with men. Wolives are the sacrifice whether economic, political or social, in order that she may be as free as

Suffrage for woman is one step nearer the great goal. Liberty, equality, fratcrnity-but let us add, for men and women.

For full emancipation. WALTER LANFERSIEK,

NATIONAL EXECUTIVE SECRETARY, SOCIALIST PARTY.

# UR BIRTHDAY By JOHN M. WORK

I HAD THE pleasure to be present as a delegate when the Socialist Party was born. It was born at the Unity Convention, held in Indianapolis, Indiana, beginning July 29, 1901. There were about 125 delegates present, among whom were the follow

ing women: Corinne S. Brown, Martha A. Biegler, Margaret Haile, Elizabeth H. Thomas, Sula Lowrie, Mrs. Max S. Hayes, Martha H. McHugh, and Carrie Rand Herron.

unite the various Socialist parties of the country. The largest of these were the Social-Democratic Party and the Springfield wing of the Socialist Science has shown that it would Labor Party. The other wing of the Socialist Labor Party did not take and did no work. The social machpart in the convention. State parties in Iowa, Kentucky and Texas, not ine that does not serve should be affiliated with any national organization, were represented.

up their differences sufficiently to support the same ticket the year before Animosities were very bitter, however. Had it not been for the withdrawal of various local and state organizations from the national organizations, cialization. We have a right to thus decreasing their membership, it is hardly probable that the two nachange our statement of it. It is tional organizations could have been persuaded to consent to try to form never has failed.

> THE MAIN actions of the convention were the adoption of a National Constitution, a National Platform, a Resolution on Socialism and Trade Unionism, a resolution on Injunctions, and a resolution on the Negro Ques-

In fact, everything was warmly discussed, Socialists are always very earnest in their debates, and the bitter feelings which the delegates brought spectable by causing them to do along made them especially earnest at that convention,

BUT THE great debate came on the constitution, Hot does not begin to express it. It was scalding, vitriolic, All the rancor in the hearts of by suppressing free speech and buy-the delegates was poured out in blistering words. At times it seemed to ing up the press. Socialism courts the most optimistic that unity was hopeless and that we must disperse and go back to our several locals with the doleful confession that we had

out your National Constitution and read it. It is historic. It is the state acy, or deceit and lies, in conduct- autonomy provision. Around it raged the battle as to whether we could

in our hearts because we bore the glad tidings of a condition Socialist

# Rockefeller's Mayor Tries To Bar The N.Y. Call From Strike Ridden Bayonne-Fight Is On

As this issue of The American Socialist was going to press, we received a telegram from Chester M. Wright, managing editor of The Call, the Socialist daily of New York City, reading as follows:

### By CHESTER M. WRIGHT

Rockefeller Mayor of Bayonne, N. J., today ordered The Call suppressed in that city where ten thousand oil works' employes are on strike. We outwitted him today and smuggled one thousand copies to the strikers who grabbed them greedily. Detectives made the rounds of all news stands to see that no Calls were sold. Detectives almost discovered method by which the thousand copies were smuggled in, but were outwitted by narrow margin, We are now asking our readers to contribute to flood the city with individual subs through the mail, a month to each worker in the

The American Socialist expresses the sincere hope that the workers everywhere, especially in the Eastern states, will rally to the support of The Call in this great effort. It is waging a magnificent battle and no sacrifice is too great to enable it to win this fight against Rockefellerism and the profit system. The working class is fortunate in having a fighting daily like The Call on the ground in this great emergency and it should

# **GREED FOR PROFITS**

Greed for profits took more than 1,000 lives when the Excursion Steamer Eastland turned over on its side in the Chicago river. Thousthe Western Electric Co., were crowded into the unseaworthy hulk

employed. They walk the streets their murder machinery in operation. The Pennsylvania Socialists urge looking for jobs. Every day they read the 'want ads,' and ride out hopefully on 'the hunt.' They are classified as the shifting, desperate army in the city's economic and so-ciological reports. Usually they hunt alone in every part of the business and factory districts. They pop up in this office and that with the monotonous refrain, 'Got a job open?'

"Many Apply for Places. "Today they came to the Western

Electric at 48th avenue and 22nd street. While it was still hardly light they gathered in front of the superintendent's office. At first there were only fifty. In fifteen minutes there were a hundred, then 200. By 7 there were 400. There would be jobs in the Western Electric—lots of jobs. The police pushed the crowd across the street. Then

weeping.
"Little Army Waits. "The little army waited. There would be jobs—hundreds of them Every bowed head meant an open-When the last of the worker ing. had passed through the gates the little army moved. It crossed the There were some who hung back, shamefacedly, and others who weren't going to move. But slowly and hesitatingly the little army left the sidewalk and moved across the street. It stopped at the door of the superintendent of employment. The superintendent saw them coming. There was nothing disorderly about the little army. Their faces were as drawn and earnest as the faces that had passed through the gates.'

of the organization is degrading.

If any organization, - church or party or nation - absorbs the energies of its supporters without

to run and then furnished no smashed.

past and religion did not end. Partceased to be, but social organization

Do not become the slave of any institution. It is always made to serve. If it does not serve, change it so it will serve, or make a new institution that will serve.

for the few only is no longer cial machine. Having excluded the people, the people ought to discard

If there is not equality before the law, if there is not equality of op-portunity, if there is not employment for everybody, the social or-

insisting that there must be better

equipment that has been introduced in the iron and steel mills for the purpose of manufacturing war munitions for European belligerents, ar sounding a warning note to their comrades and other foes of militar-ism that Schwab and the other profitmongers who have installed the machinery are not going to throw it upon the scrapheaps after the war is over. It is rightly concluded that the munition manufacturers are cleaning up such enormous profits that they will be able to spend mil-lions of dollars in "educating the public" to the necessity of the United States being prepared to drive away states of the union and through all the provinces of Canada they maintain a solidarity of organi
states of the union and through all the provinces of Canada they ments was the translation and of them, the Finnish Socialists the complete emancipation of the living for the jobs of the dead. A writer describes this scene as follows:

"Chicago has a great list of unlions more in the future by keeping easy people of this country for bil-lions more in the future by keeping that their fellow-members in other States take up this phase of the question also when dealing with the subject of war, and show how the capitalistic high-binders are plotting years ahead for the enormous graft that they can and will obtain from their politicians at Washington unless the country is thoroughly aroused to a clear understanding of the situation.

Prominent Pennsylvania Socialists,

who are acquainted with the immens

Criminal proceedings have been instituted against four well known German Socialists including Rosa Luxemberg and Clara Zetkin, on account of alleged treasonable articles in the monthly Internationale.

In Holland the Socialists held a national convention, denounced the scheme of the government to increase the army to 700,000 men and add more ships to the navy, and called upon the working classes of Germany, France and England to make a determined stand for peace.

# A MASTERLY RETREAT.

Slipping quietly from his intrenched nosition at Pocantico. General Rockefeller has just completed an orderly and most masterly retreat upon Cleveland, using motor, elecand steam getaway and baffle nursuers. The best military thorities agree that the foxy old general has no intention whatever "luring them on," his tactics being avowedly designed to throw them off the track.—New York Call,

Capitalism is predicated on robbery and could not exist apart from exploitation. Socialism will open the way for progress and plenty, by stopping every form of loot.

# THE SAD DEATH OF **COMRADE HOFFMAN**

By EUGENE V. DEBS THE painful and shocking

news of the sudden death of Comrade C. B. Hoffman of Kansas City has just been received. The death of this noble comrade is keenly felt by all who knew him and is an irreparable loss to our movement. Com-rade Hoffman achieved large success in his early business life but the sordid rewards of commercial success did not satisfy the yearnings o. his great heart and lofty mind and in due time he naturally found his way into the socialist movement. For many years Comrade Hoffman labored faithfully and unselfishly to spread the light and prepare the people for the better day. In many ways this beloved comrade scrved the cause. On the platform he was eloquent, forceful and convincing, and as a writer he won wide renown For a time he was editor of the Chicago Socialist, and to the hour of his death he seized with eagerness every chance to serve

the cause.
The beloved wife of Comrade Hoffman was his inseparable companion and co-worker and o her, upon whom the blow falls so cruelly, we tender our deepest sympathy in her great bereavement.

comrade has gone to his reward. He served faithfully and well through all his years and will be lovingly remembered by all

# A brave, loyal and devoted his comrades.

# CAPSIZES IN CHICAGO RIVER

The Steamship Eastland, of the St. Joseph-Chicago Steamship Company, capsized in the Chicago River at 7.40 a.m., Saturday, July

Never was there a more impressive demonstration of the effect of

The description is in the short verse-form which makes its easy to read and remember. None of the Chicago daily papers carried a best story of the catastrophe.

Crushed into the oily ooze, a thousand girls, mothers, babies

cold water; Only a moment before, they were gay with expectation of a

White dresses fluttered in the morning breezes, bright with ribbons;

of merriment for this one longed-for day;

waving farewell, shouting gay messages, quips and jests;-THEN—the boat heaved over, crushing a thousand of them

Ballast had been removed to make room for a few more

What does safety matter? They're only common working-people— We're out to make money.

needed jewelry and Pomeranian dogs; And the son of the president of the transportation com-

Business is Business; the more people get on an ex-

lace, were draggled and torn and red, doing his best to preserve order I saw crazed relatives, blind in the

> eyes wide and unseeing; sobbing, I saw the crowds, mute, open for them and help them through;

graves of the thousand who went to their deathsthousand graves, a thous-

What the devil does this mat-

IV. I saw trained nurses in their uni-

I saw the companies of sisters of Charity and the black-robed nuns, kneeling beside the poor clammy bodies, trying to work breath back into them-

black abyss of death;

rattling away to the improvised morgues, the corpses covered with sobbing, screaming, fainting;

perched on every roof-corner, on the elevated railroad structure, on the bridges, along the docks, clinging to the piers; I saw them fishing for bodies in

I saw the crowds of rescuers on hulk, chopping holes in the boat! I saw them drag up body after body; Limp, distorted, bruised, ghastly pitiful, terrible; growing monotonous in the horror of it-

They were dragged up, one at a pathy for the grief-maddened crowds time, for days thereafter; that fought to find their dead; that fought to find their dead:

and a fool, led around by the nose ning bodies; vast crowd, weaving from side to side with unsteady footsteps, their

> But They will not think of this next winter—the stockhold-

ers and their wives—when they dine at the Blackstone or attend a dinner-dance,
While the snow beats over the

and tombstones, a thousand emp-ty places at the table, a thous-and — ten thousand breaking

ter to them? They needed the money, and they do not care where or how the money comes.

forms hastening by brigades from every hospital in the city;

I saw the doctors with pulmoters, dragging lives by the score out of the I saw wagon-load after wagonload of the dead, piled in even rows,

blankets; I saw the crowds pressing by to identify them, staring, sea, I saw the crowds in the street.

the river from boats and rafts and

But the most pitiful, horrible, ghastly thing about it was that nobody seemed to understand that it was all for PROFIT. thrilled with horror at the disaster need for the whole beenly That somebody makes money

That Government Inspectors, commissioned with the solemn duty of protecting human life, are easily bought, or more easily fooled, That the horror which they

off the cheap, flimsy, overloaded excursion boats;

saw lurks behind every one of them every day, every hour, so long as Business is run for The crowds were not raving with anger, the were dumb, curious, interested—but not en-

THAT was the ghastlest thing about it all— The Eastland had been condemned for years. Two years ago the Federation of Labor had protested to Washington against it and kind-

It was unsafe when built, and grew more unsafe with every year that passed: Money was spent in remodeling it —a small part of the money it brought in was used to tinker it up

a little from time to time— But still it was unsafe, and known to be so; but it would have cost too much to abandon it—somebody's dividenda would have been But why should the Government pay any attention to the protests of Labor? Organized labor is a dupe

While organized Capital pays good money to officers of the Government, and labor merely growls and grumbles, and forgets—(Capital forgets, and it knows that Labor is

a fool). Nothing will happen—no rich people were lost—What does it matter if a few stenographers common workmen get drowned?

The wives of the contractors, and the stockholders, and the Transportation company direct. ors, will get a new dress apiece, And a French poodle, and a new high-powered car;—Labor is insolent, and a menace to

Prosperity! After the Lusitania horror we thrust our fists into Germany's face. and threatened war,

Although the passengers were rid-

ing in a British ship filled with ammunition to blow the entrails out of Germany's soldiers,

And although Britain had stolen by our cargoes and sidetracked passengers and bullied our trade: But there were a few millionaires lost on the Lusitania—hence we will dozen battleships unless they are allowed to ride on dynamite. through the war-zone, in safety

whenever they get good and ready

After the Titanic disaster we passed laws about the number of tion. If any other sure method can life-boats each ship must carry at Because several wealthy families were represented among the victims. But the victims of the General Slocum were all poor; and although it was shown that the life-preservers were loaded with lead, and the fire

hose was rotten and crumbled at a We did nothing, because the lives of the poor do not matter,
The Eastland victims were all poor-this was the one bright spot

them, this vacation.

And our own officials and millionaires and business people are guilty of this disaster-hence we can of course do nothing.

VII.

Now hearken, all you who are

### to the Eastland; On you rests the guilt, so long as you agree that money is more important than life:

So long as you consent to the proposition that business should be directed to the making of private So long as you, by voice and will

and vote, uphold industry for private profit, just so long does the blood-guilt of these lives rest on The ancients offered up hecatombs of cattle to their gods to placate We offer up human lives by the

thousand to our great god PROFIT —And all of you who do not fight that god are his worshippers.

And as for you—MURDERERS!
CRIMINALS! IDOLATERS! BLASPHEMERS! who whine that this was the "Will of God," and is a "lesson to the thoughtless."

You procedure of source, who so

You preachers of sermons who see in this horror only the lesson that "life is short," and that we must be "prepared to die a good death." You too are servants of the grinning black monster, Greed, enemy of God and Man;

You are sharers in the murder, and partakers of the crime!

that it is possible for him to be or society as a whole will never reach To argue that the old is sufficient because it one time served is to set

a barrier on progress. The ox wagon

and tallow candle served at one

The individual must be the best

time, but they are antequated now. Science has shown that the reason there is unemployment is because employment is in private hands, and these monopolists of labor will not permit all to work, since if they did the price of labor would advance

and endanger their profits. There is no sin, there is no crime, so wicked as exploitation. Individual theft wrongs one; this robs all one; this endangers all society with wicked wars.

be possible to end all exploitation, demonstrating how certain forms our of exploitation have been ended in the past, through partial socializa-There is nothing sacred about so-

merely the only method that has

ever succeeded in ending exploita-

be found, we should not hesitate to take it up. But so far no other plan has been discovered. Capitalism has made the courts grim joke, with the point always ism will again make the judges re-

Capitalism reveals its criminality in the summer for a good many of investigation, thus proving its cerity and the strength of its failed in our mission,

Capitaiism employs secret diplom-

because it contemplates busi-

iustice.

# HE FIGHT for socialism in your states this summer is particularly

VOTES FOR WOMEN!

Even from the selfish view-point, men must realize that they cannot help themselves, as long as there are women who, unprotected by the laws, come in competition with them.

Every man should consider it a duty to himself to work with energy for the constitutional amendments granting suffrage to women. The women of the Socialist Party are making the campaign. They want the ballot. They need the ballot. And yet they have no way of getting the

Judases worse than Iscariot! for he had the grace to hang himself!

You who cannot see that the ringing challenge of this disaster is that ductive life of the nation. She has shown her ability to fill the place she man. She is entitled to her place "in the sun."

THE UNITY Convention was called for the purpose of attempting to

The various factions that united in calling the convention had patched

The platform came in for a hot discussion, especially the immediate measures The resolutions were also warmly discussed

But, out of it all came agreement on the famous Section Four of Article Twelve, which now appears as Section Four of Article Ten, Get must be no institutions. It is only

ing business for the few, Socialism organically unite. Its adoption made unity possible.

has and will have nothing to con
Then came better feeling and a great relief. We went home with toy

# You cannot accomplish results without organization. But worship

doing definite service for them, it ought to perish. You would not keep a machine which took the energy of many men

Churches have gone down in the ies have disappeared, but the social machine persisted. Nations have

The social machine that grinds

ganization is a failure. Declaring that present institutions

Society as a whole must be rectified in order that every individual may have opportunity.

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Our Slogan ORGANIZE FOR 1916!

# **NEWS OF THE WEEK**

Here is all the week's news worth white boiled down for workers so busy fighting for Socialism they don't have time to read the daily cap-

MONDAY, JULY 19. Incendiary fires discovered on U. S. bettleships Oklahoma, New Jersey and Maskarka. Effitish discover device to make bettleships immune from submarine at-

German's savancing on Warsaw. Kaiser Fires sister, Queen of Greece, that he has specifyed Emissis for three months. Roosevelt calls Bryan milk and water

TUESDAY, JULY 20. Wilson cabinet decides on note rejecting conditions on which Germany is willing to accord immunity to Americans on the high

Seas.

Reported that 3,000 men have gone on strike at Krupp works at Essen, Germany.

Kilitaty threatens to put them all in pris-

One hundred thousand lives lost in China floods. Make number homeless and in hased of food.

Five thousand men on strike at Bayonne,
Bew Jersey, Standard Oil plant.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 21.

Strike of Welsh coal miners ends. Men with against British government. The 843, 600 British husbands in the war costs gevernment \$125,000,000 for wives at home. THURSDAY, JULY 22.

John Wannaker, department store in the store

FRIDAY, JULY 23. Prediction that Swiss will protest to German government against cutting of barb wires put up by Swiss troops along frontier One thousand men and boys stop conscription mass meeting at Montreal, Can. They shouted, "We won't have conscription!"

SATURDAY, JULY 24.

Excursion steamer turns turtle in Chica-o River in heart of Chicago. Bodies of g dead recovered.
Germans smash Russian forts before Warsaw. British beat back Turk rush with machine guns.
London press divided on Wilson note;
London papers pleased; Paris satisfied but disappointed; expected more.

SUNDAY, JULY 25. With the death toll in Chicago's excursion steamer disaster now put at 1,000 lives lost, the usual investigation is prom-

German submarines resume activity in English waters, sinking a French and a British steamer, and four British trawlers. Schwab declared to be uniting impacts in effort to build up rive the used trust.

# NATION PLEASED?

The headlines tell us that the na-President Wilson has sent to Germany. This startling poll of public opinion was taken by selecting favorable extracts from the daily newspapers voicing the general opinion, "Whatever he (Wilson) does is right.'

The opinions voiced by the growing Socialist and labor press are ITICS." omitted. It is the capitalist press alone that speaks. And the capitalist press is always unanimous in matters affecting the big business It is a review and a very thorough administration of society.

The Literary Digest, for instance, claims to give a weekly review of newspaper opinion on the big questions of the day. Since the war began it has paid no attention to opinions voiced by the Socialist and labor press. One million votes were cast for the Socialist ticket in 1912 and three million workers are organized into labor unions. The plute press does not speak for these when t says the nation is pleased with Wilson's message. It speaks only for big business and the plundering interests that profit by international slaughter. These interests alone are pleased at the prospect of becoming embroiled in the European war.

man dead and human suffering has will go on just as long as the great ized and managed by the working mass of the peoples of the warring nations permit it to continue. The rulers must quit when the people call a halt—when they refuse any and aspirations. longer to do the fighting and the

end when the oppressed class learns

JOHN D. ORDERS WATCHDOGS. John D. Rockefeller has given or-ders to all tenants on his estate at Tarrytown, N .Y., to purchase first-

immediately saddled onto the oil IN POLITICS, Paper 25 cents. Pubconsumers or the oil producers, thus lished by the National Office Somaking it harder than ever for them cialist Party, 803 W. Madison St., Chicago. III.

### This Week's Editorial From Socialist Press

MILWAUKEE'S NEW SCHOOL BOARD PRESIDENT. (From The Montana Socialist.)

Mrs. Victor Berger, wife of the former Milwaukee Socialist congressman, has been elected President of the School Board in Milwaukee.

Mrs. Berger, so far as we know,

s the first Socialist woman in the United States to be thus honored. She has been a member of the School Board of Milwaukee for some time, and her election as head of the board comes as a recognition of her ability and her proficient knowledge of educational problems.

Apparently, the people of Milwau-kee are not at all terrified at the prospect of having a Socialist, and a woman at that, to direct the policles of the school board. They do not appear to be aroused over the danger of having "politics" injected into the schools.

It looks as though they had come to a realization that our public schools are, or should be, the bul-wark of democracy, and that if they are to fulfill their function as edu-cators of our youth, they must be intelligently, efficiently and demo-cratically managed.

The first step in this direction is to have a school board that is not controlled by any corporate or commercial interests. The second step is to have as board members persons who know something about schools and school problems.

Mrs. Berger's long association with the Milwaukee schools, and her political affiliation as well, have made her particularly qualified to fulfill these two requirements of democratic ideals and the efficient working

out of those ideals. Butte voters would do well to note this latest incident in the fight for free schools and then to contrast WEDNESDAY, JULY 21.

Kings of Roumania, Bulgaria and Hellethe Wilwaukee school system with our own. We judge of the efficiency of a school system by its results The Milwaukee schools are ranked high among the educational institutions of our country. The 'Butte schools—but let us draw the veil!

the State election to October, 1917 made the proposition that the age limit of voters be reduced from 24 years to 20 and that woman suffrage be also inaugurated. But the Con servative, Liberal and Clerical par-Fresident Wilson's note, intended as final warning to Germany to spare lives of Americans in its submarine war on commerce, made public.

British plan to borrow \$100,000,000 in the United States. ortionately.

The next of the important criminal trials in connection with the Colorado coal strike has been set for Aug. 23, when Edward T. Doyle, district treasurer of the United Mine Workers of America, William T. Hickey, secretary of the Colorado Federation of Labor, and three local mine union leaders will be placed on trial.

Movies depicting various phases of the labor problem will be a fea-ture of this year's campaign in Brooklyn, N. Y. Last year the plan was tried toward the close of the campaign and was found to be quite a success and now the idea is to be considerably elaborated.

# **BOOK IS TIMELY** AND EXCELLENT

Eugene V. Debs has the following to say about Robert Hunter's justly famous book, - "LABOR IN POL-

"This timely and excellent book by Robert Hunter is aptly named. and illuminating one of labor in politics in the United States. It shows clearly why labor has been weak politically in the past and how easily it can be made strong in the future. It exposes the futility of the Gompers pure and simple craft union policy of "rewarding your friends and punishing your enemies' by supporting capitalist candidates who are "the friends of labor" while at the same time they are commit ted body and soul to capitalist par-ties that are the deadly foes of all that organized labor stands for.

"Robert Hunter shows clearly in these pages why the working class has nothing to expect from capitalist parties; why the organized workers betray themselves in divid-The end of the first year of the war, with its ghastly record of hutheir votes, and why there is no hope for them on the political field finally come. All the world is ask- until they sever their relations once ing the question: "How much longer and for all with capitalist parties will it go on?" No one seems to and cast in their lot with the So-There is but one answer. It cialist party, the only party organ

and aspirations.

With deep interest and special satisfaction have I reviewed these The Socialist Parties in the neu-tral and blood spilling nations are and I thank him for having contribpointing the way toward peace and the end of all wars. The ruling class thrives on war. The oppressed class is further enslaved by class is further enslaved by labor in American politics. The
This war and all wars will facts are well worth knowing for the weakness and failure they lay bare and for the solidarity and vict-

ory to which they light the way.

The working class must develop political power as an essential fact-or in their struggle for emancipation and Robert Hunter's book will class watchdogs at his expense for beam attended to the workers additional protection to his estate.

This expense will of course be battlefields of the future." LABOR

# THE PEOPLE WANT PEACE

This is the end of the first year of the great slaughter in Europe. No confident prophecy can be made predicting when it

will all end. As the first year of universal, murder came to an end the biggest note of hope for civilization was sounded by the German Socialist Party in a demand upon the German government to show its readiness to enter upon peace negotiations. It calls upon the Socialists in other countries. to make similar demands upon their governments. In commenting upon this declaration, The Labour Leader, organ of the British Independent Labor Party, urges the organized British Socialists to fall into line with the Germans and make similar demands upon the British government. One of the steps leading up to the action of the German Socialist executive committee was the publication of an open letter from 700 officials of the party and of the German trade unions. This would indicate that the movement for peace in Germany has gained considerable headway and should be an inspiration to the Socialists of the United States, who make up the only organized movement in this country interested in keeping this country out of the European war. The people of the United States, like all the people of Europe, want peace. German declaration for peace, which has just been received in this country, reads

FOR ALMOST a year the tury of the war has now raged over the earth. Hundreds of thousands of promising human lives have been annihilated, innumerable works of art and culture have been destroyed, a terrible devastation has taken place of the fruits of human toil. Millions of mothers, wives, and children cry for their sons, husbands, and fathers. Distress and wretchedness accompany the grief which weighs so heavily upon the peoples.

Is it not time that this horrible drama, unprecedented in tragedy in the history of the world, came to an end?

The Socialists have seen this ruinous world catastrophe approaching and have predicted it. They have in all countries opposed the Imperialistic policy of territorial expansion and its consequence, the pernicious competition in armaments, which is the root of this terrible war. The Socialists have worked incessantly for an understanding between the peoples in the common work of culture and the common service of humanity. Tens of thousands of meetings, millions of leaflets, the International Socialist Congresses, and the German-Franco conferences of understanding in Berne and Basle bear witness to this fact.

### RECORD OF GERMAN SOCIALISTS.

WHEN IN recent years the threatening clouds of war gathered on the political horizon, the German Socialists stood with all their strength up to the last hour for the preservation of peace. To the misfortune of the people, the So-cialists in all countries were not yet strong enough to hold back the terrible fate which has come upon Europe. The torch of war flared up sharply and set the whole world on fire. When the Cossacks of the Tsar passed over

the frontiers plundering and burning, the German Socialists proved true to the word which their leaders had given to the German people. They put themselves at the service of their country and voted the means for its defence. The fate of East Prussia shows what would

have become of Germany if the German people civilians have been murdered and 433 wounded; in the same direction. men), 2,587 women, and 2,719 children have been removed to Russia; 24 towns, 572 villages, and 236 farms, totalling 33,553 buildings, have been entirely or partly destroyed, and about 200,000 homes have been entirely or partly plundered and devastated. The death-defying courage of our armies, which in self-sacrificing devotion have overcome the fearful hardships of a winter campaign in the east, has resulted, after months of fighting demanding heavy sacrifices, in the liberation of East Prussia from this evil.

But it is not only in the fight for the national integrity and independence of Germany that the Socialists have done their duty. Within our country, particularly in connection with the feeding of the people and the provision of the needs of the families of soldiers, we have with all our strength represented the interests of the working class in opposition to the gambling with food prices and the petty practices of the bureaucracy.

Faithful to the duties which their principles and the resolutions of International Congresses impose upon all Socialist parties, the German Socialists have striven from the first days of this fearful war-tragedy for the realization of an early peace. When agreeing to the first War Credits on August 4, 1914, the Socialist Party in the Reichstag made the following declaration through Comrade Haase:

We demand that an end be made to the war as soon as the aim of security has been reached and the enemy is inclined to make peace, and that the peace shall be one guaranteeing friendship with the neighboring peoples.

This declaration was repeated by the Party when it agreed to the further War Credit on December 2, 1914, and when the Reichstag met for its third War Session, Comrade Haase said behalf of the Party:

My Party, as representing International Socialism, has always been the Party of peace, and we know that this holds good for the Socialists of the other countries equally with ourselves. Our desire is a lasting peace, a peace which does not include new complications and does not contain germs of new discord. Such a peace will be obtained if no people violates the inde-pendence of another, if each people sees their duty to be, rather, the peaceful ex-change of goods and the mutual development of culture, , , . The strong nation will be the one which first stretches out the

# INTERVENTION OF ITALY.

ON MAY 29, after the intervention of Italy, Comrade Ebert declared in the Reichstag, hav-ing expressed regret that the area of hostilities should have been extended, since it made the situation more severe and lengthened the war,

The desire is felt everywhere and more and more finds expression that an end should be made at last to the horror of the

# faithful to our Socialist convictions, we be-

lieve we ought to voice this longing for peace. In taking this stand we know ourselves to be in agreement with powerful sections of all the nations which are at war with us, who desire with us a peace without violation of the independence of other nations, a peace which makes possible again a lasting co-operation between civilized peoples. Therefore we protest energetically against the attempts which are being made to make peace dependent upon all kinds of conquests. From the beginning we have made it clear that we condemn every war of conquest, and we stand firmly by These statements were strongly re-empha

sised on the same occasion by Comrade Scheidemann. Our Party has also given expression to its desire for peace in the Prussian Diet.
The Executive of the Party published in the Christmas number of the Labour Leader, the organ of the British Independent Labour Pary, the following statement:

Our warmest sympathy is extended in this fateful time to all endeavours which have as their purpose a speedy termination of this men-murdering struggle between the peoples.

On April 12 and 13 the representatives of the Executives of the Socialist parties of Germany and Austria-Hungary met in Vienna, and their discussion resulted in the publication of a manifesto which declared as follows on the subject of Peace:

The Socialist Parties, which have worked and are working for the brotherhood of the peoples, are justified in giving expression to the longing for peace. This longing is inspired by a determination to maintain This longing is national integrity and not by a feeling of weakness, and thus it follows that peace is only possible if it does not humiliate any people. Only such a peace can guarantee the lasting co-operation of all civilised peoples. The parties represented at this conference stand true to the resolutions adopted by International Socialist Congresses, particularly those adopted by the Copenhagen Congress of 1910. In conformwith these resolutions they consider that the settlement of the war should include the following securities:

The development of the present International Arbitration Courts into compulsory institutions for the purpose of deciding all disputes between the different States.

The subjection of all treaties and agreements to the democratic control of the representative bodies of the people. The international limitation of armaments

by agreement, with a view to general disarmament. The recognition of the inviolability of all

nations.

Further, the representatives of the Socialist Parties of Germany and Austria-Hungary declare that the fact that the Socialist Parties of the belligerent countries are de-fending their countries and peoples should be no hindrance to the maintenance of international relations between all Socialist Parties nor to the continuance of their activities in fayour of international institu-

But the German Socialists have in no way contented themselves by giving verbal expres sion in such public announcements, constantly repeated, to the desire and will for peace which animates the working class of Germany. With out consideration of all difficulties in our path, of the efforts to stop the realization of our aims, or of the insinuations cast upon us, the Executive of the Party has endeavoured with strong perseverance to restore the international relations which were intercepted so suddenly by the outbreak of war, and to negotiate with had not been unanimous in holding back the sister parties of all countries in order that joint Russian aggressive invasion. According to official information, 400,000 people in East Prus- We have also made advances to all the ensia have been forced to flee as refugees; 1,620 deavours of the Socialists of neutral countries

When the Executive Committee national made the suggestion that it should dis-cuss with the Socialist parties of the belligerent countries separately the possibility of inaugurating a common peace campaign, the Exe cutive of the German Party agreed subject to the agreement of the French Party. Though the consent of the French Party was not to hand, members of the German Executive went, on an invitation, to The Hague in March, where they learned that the British Section had agreed to the proposed discussion, but not the French. Nevertheless, they discussed with the members of the Executive Committee of the International in a friendly way, and gave expression to their readiness to help at the first possible moment to secure a meeting of the International Bureau and to support all measures which may be tak-en by the Socialist parties of the belligerent

countries to promote the spirit of peace.

Thus the German Socialists, faithful to their principles and to the resolutions of International Congresses, have striven for peace.

# ATTITUDE OF FRENCH PARTY.

With heartfelt regret it must be acknowedged against this that up to now all endeavours to secure an international understanding have failed, chiefly because of the attitude of the Socialist Party of France, which has identified itself, by the entry of certain of its prominent members into the Ministry, with a Governnent allied with the Tsar.

The French party continues to justify its and after the war policy of carrying on the war until Germany be defeated and German militarism annihilated. and is therefore opposed to a meeting of the International Bureau.

After the pronouncement of our Reichstag party in favor of peace, the French President on December 22 made the following statement in the Chamber of Deputies:

At the present hour only one policy is possible: a fight without mercy until Europe be definitely liberated by an entirely victorious peace... Faithful to its signature to the agreement of September 4, in which it pledged its honor and therefore also its life, France will only lay down her arms when she has revenged the rights which have been violated, permanently regained for the French Fatherland the provinces which have been forcibly robbed from her, restored heroic Belgium... and broken Prussian militarism, to build up on the basis of justice at last a new-born Europe.

Against this unmasked proclamation of fight to total exhaustion neither the French Socialist Ministers, the Socialist Parliamentary Party, nor the Socialist Party Executive raised a word of protest. Why they were silent they explained a little later in a "Manifesto to the Party"--(Humanite, December 28, 1914)

Faithful to the discipline of unity which the nation has adopted against the enemy, the Socialist Party in Parliament did not want to disturb by any word the solidarity accepted by all Frenchmen. With the decision of general co-operation it has accepted

# STAGGERING COST OF WAR FOR ONE YEAR

And the cost of all this!

8,500,000 men killed; 8,500,000 wounded, about a third seriously, of whom a large proportion have died.

22,000,000 men in the armies; 12,000,000 on

\$25,000,000,000 spent for military purposes. Uncounted billions in destruction of property and loss through trade disorganization. Detailed figures of the Red Cross report are: Germany-Dead, 482,000; seriously wounded,

ers. 233,000. Total. 1.572,000. Austria-Dead, 341,000; seriously injured, 83,-000; slightly wounded, 618,000; prisoners, 183,-Total, 1,225,000 France—Dead, 464,000; seriously wounded,

97,000; slightly wounded, 760,000; loss in prison-

rrance—pead, 404,000; seriously wounded, 439,000; slightly wounded, 718,000; prisoners, 495,000. Total, 2,116,000.

Russia—Dead, 773,000; seriously wounded, 482,000; slightly wounded, 1,500,000; prisoners,

770,000, Total, 2,485,000. Great Britain—Dead, 116,000; seriously wounded, 49,000; slightly wounded, 185,000; prisoners, 83,000. Total, 433,000.

The average number of casualities thus shown is 41.300 daily, of which the allies had 28,000 and the Germanic empires 13,300.

### MILLIONS IN THE ARMIES.

Figures received in Washington divide the armies in active service in the field, as reserves, in garrisons on home guard, or on supply

es, in garrisons on nome guard, or on supply duty as follows:
Germany, 5,400,000; Austria-Hungary, 3,600,000; Turkey, 1,000,000. Total, 10,000,000.
France, 4,500,000; Russia. 3,500,000; Italy 2,000,000; Great Britain, 1,500,000; Serbia, 400,000; Belgium, 100,000. Total, 12,000,000. At least half of these are believed to be on the battle lines on the various fronts.

### STAGGERING COST OF WAR.

As to the cost of the war, the governments have been candid only so far as necessary to float great public loans. As to what has been done in the way of private arrangements for credits and issues of currency and short time notes little has been told. Figures obtained from Wall street financiers in position to know, coupled with those obtained from good sources of information in Washington, however, would appear to justify the estimate of \$25,000,000,000 In the matter of public loans these stagger-

ig lightes for the year up to aut	y v are shown.
reat Britain	\$7,525,000,000 2,947,400,000
ussia	1,565,000,000
Total	\$12,087,400,000
ermany	. \$3,491,000,000
ustria-Hungary	1,210,000,000

Total ..... \$4,701,000,000

Grand total ...... \$16,788,400,000 In this calculation nothing is included of debts contracted by Japan. Turkey, Italy, Serbia, Belgium, Montenegro, and the British colonies. These could easily bring the total to \$2,000,000,-000. Home credits and the extraordinary taxes that have been imposed in all the nations could

### account for \$7,000,000,000. HUGE COST FOR BRITAIN.

Putting the figure at \$25,000,000,000 would mean a daily average expenditure for all the nations of \$68,500,000. This figure is not unreasonable in view of the statement by Premier Asquith on June 15 that the British war outlay from April 1 to June 12 had been \$13,300,000 a day, and that thereafter it would be \$15,000,000

cepted the watchword which the responsible Government has formulated.

And the representative of the Belgium comrades, the chairman of the International Socialist Bureau, Comrade Vandervelde, who had also entered the Government of his country, stated on April 18 in a speech in Paris:

I come to-day to speak about the war and for the war... As an Internationalist and Socialist pacifist, I am in favor of the war to the finish... I feel anger against those of our comrades who would like to make peace. Oh, no! Upon the crime must follow atonement.

We acknowledge readily enough that there are in Britain as well as in France Socialist groups which work for the spirit of peace just as do the entire Socialist Party of Germany and its leaders. But this cannot deceive us about the sad fact that the great mass of the Socialists of Britain and France who are affiliated with the International Socialist Bureau their organizations and representative bodies, want, with their Governments, to continue the war until the absolute subjugation of Germany has been obtained.

It is an act of irresponsible misrepresenta-tion on the part of German Socialists, if, in anonymous leaflets and pamphlets, the international situation and the proceedings of the Party are decribed in such a way as to justify the re-proach that the Executive of the Party is not doing enough to give expression to the will of the working class for peace. Those who seriously desire at this time the unity of the German working-class movement, so essential now and after the war, must in decisive terms op-

The Parliamentary Party and the Party Executive have always unanimously opposed the policy of conquests and of annexations. We raise once more the sharpest protests against all attempts to secure the annexation of foreign territories and of the violation of the rights of other peoples, particularly as they have been expressed in the demands of great Capitalist Federations and in the speeches of leading capitalist politicians. To make such attempts delays more than ever the peace which is strongly desired by the whole people. The people do not want any annexations. The people want peace.
If the war, daily requiring new sacrifices, is

not to drag on without end, one of the participating Powers must stretch forth the hand of peace. Germany, which has been attacked by overwhelming Powers, which has victoriously resisted all enemies up to the present, which has defeated the plan to starve out the people, and has proved that it cannot be defeated, should make the first step to bring about peace. In the name of humanity and of culture, sup-ported by the favorable military situation creat-

ed by the bravery of our comrades in arms, we call upon the Government to show their readiness to enter upon peace negotiations in order to make an end to the bloody struggle. We expect from our comrades in the other belligerent countries that they will bring pres-

sure to bear upon the Governments with the same end in view. THE EXECUTIVE OF THE SOCIAL

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LEHANE STARTS ON TOUR TO PACIFIC COAST AND BACK.

CORNELIUS LEHANE has returned to Chicago after a Chicago, and dozens of labor unions most successful tour of Michigan of all descriptions. Wherever he has via Arizona, New Mexico, Colorado, Kansas and Missouri. As he is dated to speak in Boston in Octo-ber, Lehane's western trip must be completed by then, and locals deas when the route is made up it

cannot be altered. Since his arrival in America from the European war zone. Lehane has een received enthusiastically by



CORNELIUS LEHANE.

socialist locals, labor unions and also by the Chicago Federation of movement in Great Britain and in abor, the Chicago Teachers' Fede- Ireland.

public banquet), the Associated Gaelic Clubs of Chicago, the Clanand will shortly start on his western spoken, he has created the greatest will travel west through Wisconsin, Minnesota, North Dakota, Montana, Idaho, Washington, Oregon and California, returning ists into contact with the socialist Cornelius Lehane was bern in Cork, Ireland, and with James Con-nolly founded the socialist movement in his native land. He was the siring a date should apply at once first socialist member of the Irish

ration (which gave our Comrade a

Federation of Labor fourteen years ago, and so well was his work done movement is dominated by Socialism. He organized the retail store workers in Ireland and in Britain and was one of the first national organizers of the British Union of Retail Store Clerks, a body that has a membership of over 100,000 men

He was the first secretary of the Socialist Party of Great Britain, and the first editor of the London "Socialist Standard." At the farewell banquet given in London to Com-rade Lehane by the socialists and labor unionists of Great Britain and Ireland, many of the most prominent men in the British Isles took part, among those present and on the committee of arrangements being:—J. T. Bain, Secretary of the South African Federation of Labor; James Larkin, President Irish Federation of Labor; W. A. Appleton, Secretary British Federation of Trades Unions; Ben Tillett, Secretary London Dockers' Union; Robert Williams, Secretary International Federation of Transport Workers; John Stokes, President London Central Labor Union; William O'Brien, President Dublin Central Labor Union; John Turner, Secretary British Union of Retail Store Clerks; he Irish societies. He has been received by the Boston Central Labor "Harp;" Captain White of the Irish Union, the Boston Gaelic League, Citizen Army, and many others and the Irish Volunteers of Boston, prominent on the socialist and labor

# **JESUS**

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# **ORGANIZE FOR 1916!**

EDITOR'S NOTE.—The slogan of the Socialist Party, "ORGANIZE FOR 1916" is being heard in the land. The forces of progress are railying everywhere in the campaign to prepare for the 1916 presidential struggle. The Appeal to Reaeon, the great Socialiet weekly, at the request of the National Office of the Socialiet Party, is publishing a series of articles on organization. The first of these is by Emil Seidel. Socialist candidate for vice president in 1912, which The Appeal states "will convince any Socialist sympathiser that his place is in the Socialist Series of the Socialist Party organization. The American Socialist herewith reproduces this article. After reading it, and if you are not now a member of the Socialist Party, drop a postal card to the National Office, Socialist Party, 803 West Madison St., Ohicago, Ill., and you will receive immediately the necessary information to get you in touch with the nearest local secretary.

to sap the very vitals of their

### By EMIL SEIDEL

THE LAST national committee Every new recruit must from the of the Socialist party at its first feel that he is a worker neeting in May transacted much mportant business, some less imsonal work he learns to be active portant and some that might have and receives pleasure from his act vaited indefinitely. However, one ivities. He thus becomes more than vaited indefinitely. However, one implies that taken in adopting a report which contains many suggestions, all of which have a searing upon the further building ind strengthening of our organization. In summing up our needs of the present, the slogan adopted for the present, the slogan adopted for more effective. In the one only a few lights shine; in the other all

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a regular organization and they should not start one before they are sure that they can maintain it. But they cannot be too poor to give at least a few minutes of their time each day to speak to another worker and another, and so on. They can WOMAN'S NATIONAL COMMITTEE secure literature (free, if must be, Elia Reeve Bloor, 2471/2 King Ave., for that's what the national office Columbus, Ohio. is for) and pass it on, always being careful not to offend. Only after they are sure of their ground let them organize a local, always avoiding expensive hall rents as long as Freda Hogan, Huntington, Ark. possible. This leaves more energy Theresa S. Malkiel, 141 W. 111th and money to go to the right source, i. e., propaganda. When they are strong enough let them center their efforts upon a certain ward or pre- Anna Maley Ringsdorf, R. F. D. No. cinct spreading out as their strength will permit. At no time should they undertake to do more than they can well do. Ill-done work leads to failures and failures to bitter disap-pointments. Also let them be slow incur debts for these never fail master of his life.

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Received since last publication.
BY COLUMBUS, KAÑS.: (Proposing that the vote of Article XV, Sec. 1, and Article XVI, Sec. 1, as eubmitted in Referendum 'D,' 1914, be declared nnil and void and these sections of the National Constitution remain as they were before the submission of the referendum. Resubmitted for acconds, April 24, 1915.)
SECONDS: Oswego, Kans.; Gooding, Ida.; Fort Pierce, Fla.; Whitefish, Mont. BY HIWASSE, ARK.: (Proposing that a demand that the President and Congress take over the railroads for government ownership and management, be circulated in petition form for signatures. First published May 29, 1915.) Seconded by Ogden, Utah.

RY LAS CRUCES, NEW MEX. (Prop.

# **HUMAN LIFE MORE PRECIOUS** THAN DIGNITY OF NATION

Every Socialist local in Iowa is being urged by the state committee to send a letter to President Wilson declaring that no development in the European war can justify this nation joining in the slaughter now deluging the nations across the Atlantic in blood. The letter prepared by Committeeman L. M. Farnsworth, of the Fifth District, and signed by Chairman W. M. Whitenack and Secretary I. S. McCrillis of the state committee, which has already been forwarded to President Wilson, on behalf of the Iowa Socialists is as follows:

THE PRESS informs us that, "questions concerning domestic affairs among those who have scarcely touched the edge your mind," so grave is the inter-of condemnation. national situation, that "you have been much impressed by the practically unanimous verdict of the American editorial comment regarding the evasive reply of Germany to your recent note." It tells us also that "you hope to have the widest counsel in the present situation."

In view of this expressed desire this committee, representing the Socialist Party of Iowa and the working class in general, submits the fol-

lowing to you for consideration:

No violation of International Law, no crime by Germany however foul or inhuman can justify the wholesale slaughter of American life, which must be the inevitable result if the United States becomes involved in the harvest of death, that has stript the shell of civilization from humanity and hurled mankind back into the abyss of savagery.

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Regret for those who fell is shared by all. Yet if Americans had not been among the number our regrets would be as great. Human life is naught but human life and equally precious regardless of nation or race.

Ten thousand American lives are ten thousand times more precious than few lights shine; in the other all learn to be workers.

With this getting back to first principles there is no reason why we should not be able to double and treble our vote at the elections in 1916. Even in the largest places this kind of work will tell. Let us stop whining and "resolving" and "manifestoing." Let us get ready to strike and fight back.

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If this were the whole of the story, it might etill not justify the warning I am ending out, although the showing is bad on one. But it is not only the present that is at etake, it is the future as well.

The National Convention next year will cost nearly \$25,000. The convention of 1912 cost \$18,000, but then no per diem was paid to delegates. Adding the per diem will bring it close to the figure given. What are the prospects for raising this money and the additional sum needed for the campaign; They are not brilliant. We have taken two years to pay off \$10,000 of the party debt, in better times than these.

There is no present hat times as a gasing to you of the Venizelists meant "national unity" and intervention. The socialists in Greece were subjected to the most unbearable treatment on the part of their opponents. Tyranny, corruption, terrorism, intimidations, abuses, illegalities were used to defeat the incomparable efforts sim, and these acts and others perpendicularly the warning I am the unknowables etc., will ask: "What does this Martyrdom mean?" and the pros, and tons, thereby will awaken the sleeping into the party of the comparable efforts of the comparable efforts was paid to delegates. Adding the per diem was paid to delegates. Adding banners commemorating some victory printed thereon: signifying—PEACE—for the time being—and then other banners signifying wrong not yet redressed.—H. G. THORNDALE, Ruskin, Fla.

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### proclaim against Russianizing this much-boasted land of freedom. During the time that I spent in in the service of the United Mine Workers of America, I frequently met Prof. Brewster and learned to know and admire him. He was a man that possessed sterl-ing qualities and no one ever ques-

tioned his sincerity, honesty or ef-

ficiency.

His every heart-heat is for justice and when he saw the money power banishing every vestige of law from the state and establishing instead a reign of indiscribable crime, he took his rightful place among those who expressed words

This made him a marked man by the Rockefeller minions. It was then only a question of time until the execution would be performed. The hour has come and Brewsster, the man with the noblest impulses is the victim of Rockefeller's ax, while Gen. Chase, the military satrap, the contemptable specimen of God's carlessness who places no value on the lives and liberties of the workers is retained by the Board of Regents, made up of those who hold labor in contempt. By this act they have placed an eternal stigma of shame upon that institution.

But Prof. James H. Brewster will live and be adored when the Board of Regents and their coterie will be long dead and forgotten. — ADOLPH

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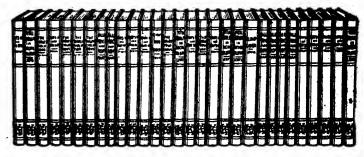
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NEWS FROM THE FRONT -THE TIDE TURNING.

Headquarters of General James Higgins. The "Off" Army commanded by General Plute and General Henricus Dubb is still pressing us severely. The enemy took several trenches. The Dubb brigade delivered a frontal attack in the hope of breaking our line. They were met, however, by a terrific fire of subs delivered by the Hustler Brigade and were compelled to retreat toward their own lines.

We are retreating steadily but with our line and spirit unbroken.

As soon as re-enforcements arrive we intend to deliver a counter attack modern phases of the age-old strugthat will sweep the enemy before us. gle between the strong and the Shortage of munitions is bother- weak, the cunning and simple, the ing our army considerably. All lov- rich and poor. ers of liberty for whose cause we are fighting are asked to contribute munitions in the form of subs in any this fight. To put it in another way quantity they can spare.

PEORIA, ILL., SIGNS PLEDGE. "I believe it should be my duty to inform you that the enclosed pledge which is filled by me is to the credit of the Y. P. S. L. of Peoria because of the Terre Haute Tribune.

The believe it should be my duty to inform you that the enclosed pledge statement in behalf of the traction company which appeared in a recent issue of the Terre Haute Tribune. five members of the league volun- For unadulterated gall this stateteered 25 cents every five weeks and ment by the attorney of the traction I, as Literature Agent of the League company is certainly a prize winwas instructed to collect the sub ner. Mr. Beasley does not say so was instructed to collect the sub ner. Mr. Beasley does not say so from the respective member every but he and the exploiting eastern week and send it to the National Of-capitalists he represents, who have

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### ROLL OF HONOR

"Please find \$2 enclosed for which you may send me some sub-cards. I wish all those who can afford to do so would send you a dollar now for cards to put the paper in the shape it ought to be for the great campaign that is soon to open and that will be by all odds the greatest in opportunity in which the Socialist party has ever had a part."—EUGENE V. DEBS.

E. R. ARMSTRONG, Illinois, orders 21 initiation cards for his local.

EDWARD PUGH Missouri, marches to EDWARD PUGH, Missouri, marches to he front with 16 volunteers.

"You certainly are getting out an in-teresting sheet and no Socialist can af-ford to be without it."—W. E. COLLINS, Michigan.

J. J. PRUCHA, New York City, who has now been on the firing line for years or-ders 21 initiation oards for the new mem-

joyfully join the forces. A Lucky Brigade of 13 is organized this city by the throat and con-by WILLIAM WORRAL, Ohio.

"I am going to try to get the knife. I hope this will help some to keep the subscription list from falling below 50,000."—F. G. BAUMAN, Pa.

Tarentum, Pa., purchases a supply of initiation cards for their Sunday meeting. Frederick Strickland will speak for them.

DAN O'BRIEN, Ohio, brings in a club of 4 this week.

J. FORREST POTTS, West Virginia, presents us with a list of 12. We will send him two of our attractive pennants for his good work. could be appointed without its sanction and when it wanted a city street A Campaign Book of 1914 goes to H. M. MEANS, West Virginia. He secured 10 subs for The American Socialist.

On the ground that the introducand other matter at the trial, tended the sanction of the courts simply Indiana governs Indianapolis." to prejudice the jury, Charles Cline shows to what extent the courts that been given a new trial by the themselves have been prostituted by of government as the means of establishments of the stable Texas court of appeals. The Rang- this greedy and conscienceless corel-Cline Defense Committee writes poration which has absolutely no mocratic municipal government. The American Socialist from San interest in Terre Haute beyond ex-Antonio. Tex., that the comrades im- ploiting the city to the limit and prisoned wish to express their ap- milking the people to a finish. preciation for the assistance given

A TASK FOR SOCIALISM. The Farm, Stock and Home, one of the most widely read of the na-

tion's farm publications, recently published a long editorial showing that the control of the countries of Europe, is falling into Socialist hands. It concludes by saying that:
"In short in Germany France and "In short, in Germany, France and Great Britain, the control of affairs appears to be passing into new hands, and out of the struggle there seems destined to arise the Socialist state—a Socialism tempered by responsibility and burdened with the great task of reshaping local govern-ment to meet the great problems of national rebuilding."

# **DEBS IS FOR** THE JITNEYS

NOTE.—Eugene V. Debs finds time to fight the plutes in his own home town of Terre Haute, Ind. Readers of The American Socialist will remember his article in the "CARRY YOUR CITY FOR SOCIALISM" issue of last March, in which he wrote about the Terre Haute vote frands. The fight of the jitneys against the traction corporations is nation-wide and we know you will be glad to read what Debs has to say about the fight in Terre Haute.

the former represents what we know as Wall street and the latter as the common people.

week and send it to the National Office."

capitalists he represents, who have been looting this city for years, want the jitneys suppressed. That is the way they want them 'regulatied.' They want their owners, who ed.' They want their owners, who are not as rich as Mr. Beasley's

### Complying With Law.

law," he insults the intelligence of ence. Most commissions of that charevery citizen of this community. Mr. Beasley is a corporation lawyer and a very shrewd one. Will he dare to defend that proposition in a public defend that proposition in a public.

The jimes acter are controlled by the corporation by the corporation lawyer and their friends on over Colorado. He is doing it the common people, would better for New Jersey as rapidly as he defend that proposition in a public the common people, would better for New Jersey as rapidly as he defend that proposition in a public the common people, would better for New Jersey as rapidly as he defend that proposition in a public the common people, would better for New Jersey as rapidly as he defend that proposition in a public that the final state of the times and the times are controlled by the corporation lawyer and to "protect" John D.'s profits.

John D. threw a mantle of crimaging in those tides.

In this little space I expect to the serious ing industry continued to be serious ing every citizen of this community. Mr. acter are controlled by the corpora- to "protect" John D.'s profits.

"I am trying to organize a little force of Volunteers for The American Socialist. I have held two meetings in our county school-house. Please send me 7 cards."

B. J. LANDGRAF, Mich.

"I am not in a motified and indeed and in the people of Terre Haute, minded and in the most pathetic. As if we, the people of Terre Haute, minded and indeed "I am not in a position to get many subscribers but will send you one dollar to help the paper. We use his dollar to help the paper. We use his dollar to help buy ammunition."—FRANK BURN. all these years.

During all these years this fran-

defied its laws and turned its private gunmen loose to rob and kill

those who interfered with its crim-

The franchise record of the trac-

When Mr. Beasley objects to the

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City by the Throat.

For fifteen years the traction company, with Mr. Beasley as one of its chief attorneys, and with the red light as its political ally, had this city by the throat and control of the numerous books on this city by the throat and control of the numerous books on the control of the numerous the control of the numerous the control of the numerous to a control of the numerous the control of the numerous the control of the numerous the control of the numerous to a control of the numerous the control of the numerous to a control of the n JACOB PDEGELICK, Wyoming, lines of its chief attorneys, and with the price, 60 cents net.

the commission form of government. Five husky Westerners from Montana ruptly as any city has ever been It contains a strong plea for munifoun the 5,000 brigade. controlled by the brigands who looted it in all the history of the United author says:

AMONG BOOKS

in the state prison.

Plea to Organize.

"There appears to be no reason for excepting cities from the opera-D. I. TODD, North Dakota, brings in a force that is well to be proud of. A brigade of 26 asks for a place on the firing time.

D. I. TODD, North Dakota, brings in a chise-grabbing, street-stealing, tax-dodging, union-smashing eastern corporation debauched the politics force against the principle of demonstrate. of the city, prostituted its courts, cracy itself.

"Ours are the only English-speaking cities in the world that are denied the right of self government. inal operations. Not a policeman English cities since 1832 have been among the best governed in the world, and American cities have it simply had its puppets in public been among the worst governed office make the transfer and issue And one reason for this is that English cities are self-governed and American cities are state-governed. tion company is one of shameless It has been well said that the citition of the Industrial Workers of fraud and downright robbery. That zens of Birmingham govern Birmthe World's preamble, constitution this fraud and robbery have had ingham, but that the legislature of

Science has demonstrated that it living to have abundance of everysupport of all comrades and friends is not necessarily required to be a a day. The fact that this condition in their struggle for equity and citizen one wonders at the low estidoes not prevail proves maladjustmate he places on the intelligence ment of things.

# JOHN D.'S ARMY MARCHING ON. THE WORLD OF LABOR

John D.'s army goes a-marching perchance because he shares liberally in the proceeds of the sale of on, from strike to strike, always on his neighbors and townsmen to the rich men of the east?

hand where there is shooting of workingmen to be done.

The Gunmen That Shot Up the Strikers at Roosevelt Are at Bayonne for John D. Today,

"Come On, Boys, Another Job"

workingmen to be done.

But a short time ago John D.'s conditions is very instructive: A scarcity of male labor is reported lawn you to watch this little Now it is at Bayonne.

in a Rockefeller court upon the theory that as leader of the strike he was responsible for the murders and other crimes perpetrated during his leadership. If this same made to protect the system that

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strikes will follow in Springfield, Providence, Hyde Park, Boston and other cities where munitions are be-PALMER, Mass. - The Wright

Wire company's plant closed, following strike of employes demand-wages and the regulation of other ing eight-hour day. BROOKLYN, N. Y. — Concession

of eight-hour day without reduction men simply would not work, prefer of wages ends threat of strike at E. W. Bliss company torpedo plant. NEW YORK. — Two thousand longshoremen out, say strikers at piers of Mallory and Clyde steam-ship companies; 1,200 out, say employers, and 700 strike breakers at

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ly, printed in Pittsburg, is the latest tains all official state reports, party paper to give up the ghost, the old news and propaganda suited to the next tereotyped reason given being that northern farmer. The state office of financial embarrassment. The handles all husiness matters. Sub-The handles all business matters. Sub-New Era was one of the best Social-scription price, 50 cents. Send ads ist papers issued in this country. and much of the work done on it would be possible for every person was contributed ungrudgingly. There is a possibility that the N. E. may them and to ask for the continued jitney driver on the ground that he thing desired, working but six hours resume publication when business resume publication when business reason why the worker is poor is has improved, and here's hoping that because he is "tolled" on everything the expectations of its promoters he produces and everything he conmay be realized.

### the rest, although numbering less than 10,000 men. The 15th Infantry Batallion was stationed at Lyngby, a rural town. Now 143 young wo men in that district have appealed to the government to help support the "war babies" they are bringing into the wor'd. So that Denmark is having "war babies" without any war. But the accursed uniform will continue to be worshipped just the same by hypocritical knaves and Young People's Dept.

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All of you have the interest of the Y. P. S. L. at heart, I know that. Now let us make sure that we will This from the British Board of all work in harmony, each in his or

by nearly all trades. The shortage space, - since I cannot talk to you Little things like State laws don't is now extending to female and boy all personally, I shall have to do so other this army any. are not as rich as Mr. Beasicy's plutocratic eastern clients, loaded down with license fees, indemnity bonds and other legal extortions sufficient to 'regulate' them out of them would serve a life sentence of them would serve a life sentence of the system's broken and state laws were applied to Mr. Beasicy's traction clients every one of them would serve a life sentence of them would serve a life sentence of the system's broken and state laws were applied to Mr. Beasicy's traction clients every one of them would serve a life sentence of the system that gives John D. control of the lives of millions.

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From Detroit, Mich., comes a sugto avoid calling for troops and strik-ers have obtained many rifles. Lin San Francisco, next November, other good things, has a great deal Rockefeller secures more gunmen. Su, of Tokio, Japan, will be received to be said both in its favor, and Half a dozen strikers have already as fraternal delegates from the been murdered by the Rockefeller workingmen of Japan to the workingmen of America. The event will workingmen of America. The event will make the second Monday in Novembringing in five new members. Same to be said by the Leagues to anyone bringing in five new members. Same to be said by the Netional Office at back at work, their terms agreed to by manufacturers.

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In the face of the severe suffering to which they are naturally Against its use we may say that our worth-while members are even now doing all they can, but they are doing it for the good of the organization and not in the hope of a bit miners in a dozen different districts ditions reached the point where the any membership campaign, it engenders rivalry, and often draws a ring to starve rather than wear very undesirable sort of people inthemselves out for next to nothing. to the organization, for in contest we do not watch the membership very closely.

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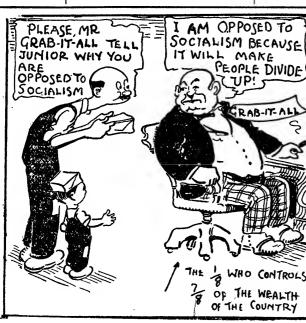
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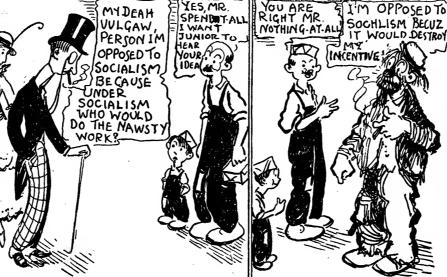
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